

Brown County Beekeepers Association Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2020

Attendance: Jan Battiola, Tom Cashman, Jacki Chee, Evie Dieck, Dan Diers, Dave Elsen, Carl Fisher, Chris Harris, Steve Hartstern, Steve Hupfer, Ben Klemp, Stacy Klemp, Sara Kowalski, Lynn Lindgren, Molly Martzke, Julie Mazzoleni, Bob Michiels, Lisa Miotke, Dale Mohr, Donica Mohr, Matt Mueller, Sarah Mueller, Christopher Nuske, Johnathan Nuske (Nicole), Jenny Renfro, Wayne Richardson, Elizabeth Schwalenbach, Mary Sickel, Jordan Steinhorst, Carol Sturm, Dick Sturm, Charlotte Skala, Kaelyn Sumner, Thomas Theisen, Wendy Theisen, Robert Vickery, David Wagner, Tammy Wagner, Todd Withuhn

Guests: Mitch Kiley, Janet Roberts, Chris Hansen

Topic	Presenter	Description	Action Required	Responsible	Date
Club Business		October minutes approval	Approved	All	11/18/2020
Financial Report	Tom Cashman	Review of financial report approval	Approved	All	11/18/2020
ELECTION	Dave Elsen	<p>Nominations: President Dave Elsen & Steve Hupfer Each took a few minutes to speak Election Results President: Dave 19/ Steve 10 (29/32 possible votes) Vice President Julie Mazzoleni & Steve Hupfer Each took a few minutes to speak Election Results VP: Julie 17/ Steve 16 (33/32 possible votes) <i>NOTE: For the VP race we unfortunately had an invalid vote that was cast by a family member who was attending on a separate computer. This vote has been removed from the count. The updated results are Julie 17 and Steve 15. (32/32 possible votes)</i> Treasurer Tom Cashman Election Results: Unanimous Secretary Bob Michiels Election Results Unanimous</p>	Congratulations	-	-
Club Education & Activities	Julie Mazzoleni	Coffee and Bees November on Zoom: Engaging conversation regarding winterizing. Links provided in the newsletter.	Information	-	-

	Dave Elsen	<p>Jenny Renfro suggested an evening meeting for those who cannot meet in the mornings. Brews and Bees.</p> <p>Northeast Wisconsin Beekeepers, our interactive Facebook group is growing membership</p>	<p>Coordinate an alternate casual evening meeting</p> <p>Information</p>	<p>Jenny offered to coordinate</p>	<p>1/20/2020</p> <p>-</p>
Membership Renewal	Sarah Mueller	<p>Membership renewals by January 1, 2021 are requested. This is in line with the current bylaws as it helps to be able to plan for events in 2021.</p> <p>\$20 individual membership \$30 family membership</p> <p>Payments can be made online or by check mailed to PO box listed on the newsletter</p> <p>This year we are having a random drawing for all renewals prior to January 1, 2021. Prizes include honey bee stained glass, Mite kit from MN Bee Squad and 2 gift cards from Hansen Honey Farm.</p>	<p>Information</p> <p>Drawing</p>	-	<p>1/1/2021</p> <p>1/2021</p>
Intro to Beekeeping Class 2021	Carl Fisher	<p>Intro to Beekeeping class to be run in 3 – 2-hour classes.</p> <p>Virtual class #1: 1/9/2021: Overview of equipment, bee biology, nucs and packages, perspectives from a first year beekeeper</p> <p>Virtual class #2: 2/13/2021: Hive inspection, Mite management</p> <p>At the hive – class #3 5/29/2021: plan is liquid, will be firmed up closer to the date</p> <p>Posters will be available soon for distribution. Members encouraged to promote the class and to go</p>	<p>Contact Carl if interested in presenting</p> <p>http://beekeeping-green-bay.eventbrite.com</p>	-	-

<p>Year in Review 2020</p>	<p>Dave Elsen</p>	<p>to our FB page and mark you are interested or going to help spread the word via FB pages</p> <p>Price has been reduced to \$40 /individual \$30 additional family members No registrations as of this meeting</p> <p>Review 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee and Bees – virtual • Created NE Wisconsin beekeepers interactive FB site • Presented beekeeping to 50 participants Farmory • Pollinator movie • Club membership up by 45% • Purchased mite kits MN Bee Squad – prizes throughout the year • January intro to Beekeeping class 50 • Einstein expo • Purchased IR camera, web cam, extracting equipment • COVID zoom meetings 	<p>Information</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Master Beekeeper</p>	<p>Chris Hansen</p>	<p>Discussed sending bees to California to pollinate the Almonds. Check out hansenhoneyfarm.com for details. Shared his knowledge on the master beekeeping programs. He participated in the University of Montana program and shared that the apprentice and journeyman programs were very applicable to hobby beekeepers. They provide good knowledge about bee biology that can help you learn to manage your colonies better.</p>	<p>Information</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>

First year beekeepers	Jenny Renfro Bob Michiels	Discussion on their first-year beekeeping experience	Tabled until January meeting		1/20/2021
		Thank you to Sarah Mueller outgoing Secretary Great job!			
Upcoming Meeting		Next meeting January 20, 2021 6:30pm Watch for links on upcoming meeting in December newsletter	NO DECEMBER MEETING HAPPY HOLIDAYS! STAY SAFE		